

WHEREAS recent legislation enacted by the Congress will tend to increase greatly the number of our citizens who will be rehabilitated and prepared for gainful occupation annually, thus requiring redoubled activity in the field of employment; and

WHEREAS observance of this week materially aids the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped in the accomplishment of its main objectives: to inform employers of the abilities of qualified handicapped workers, to encourage employers to hire such workers, and to increase community understanding of the value of rehabilitation and employment of the handicapped; and

WHEREAS the ever-increasing awareness among public and private employers of the desirability of hiring the handicapped should be maintained and stimulated further; and

WHEREAS the observance of National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week once each year, as authorized by a joint resolution of the Congress approved August 11, 1945 (59 Stat. 530), emphasizes the need for a year-round program:

National Employ  
the Physically Handi-  
capped Week, 1954.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do call upon the people of our Nation to observe the week beginning October 3, 1954, as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, and to cooperate with the President's Committee on Employment of the Physically Handicapped in carrying out the aforementioned resolution of Congress.

I also request the Governors of States, the mayors of municipalities, other public officials, leaders of industry and labor, and members of religious, civic, veterans', agricultural, women's, handicapped persons', and fraternal organizations, to participate actively in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 13th day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and  
[SEAL] of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-ninth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,  
*Secretary of State.*

#### GENERAL PULASKI'S MEMORIAL DAY, 1954

September 27, 1954  
[No. 3067]

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Count Casimir Pulaski crossed the Atlantic to fight in the cause of freedom and gave his life for that cause on October 11, 1779, as a result of wounds received while leading the Pulaski Legion in a gallant cavalry charge at the siege of Savannah; and

WHEREAS the story of this Polish patriot's supreme contribution to our independence is a treasured chapter in the annals of a grateful Nation; and

WHEREAS it is fitting that we should honor the memory of this distinguished soldier, who attained the rank of Brigadier General in the American Revolutionary Army, on the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of his heroic death:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Monday, October 11, 1954, as General Pulaski's Memorial Day, and I invite the people of our country to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies. I also direct that the flag of the United States be displayed on all Government buildings on that day in tribute to General Casimir Pulaski.

General Pulaski's  
Memorial Day, 1954.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 27th day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and [SEAL] of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-ninth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

WALTER BEDELL SMITH,  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

#### COLUMBUS DAY, 1954

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

October 1, 1954  
[No. 3068]

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the courageous voyage on which Christopher Columbus embarked over four and one-half centuries ago opened to our ancestors the untold opportunities of this new Continent; and

WHEREAS the discovery of Christopher Columbus led to the settlement of our land and, ultimately, to the birth of our nation; and

WHEREAS it is therefore especially fitting that the memory of this great Admiral be accorded appropriate recognition each year by the people of this Nation; and

WHEREAS, in commemoration of the achievement of this intrepid explorer, the Congress of the United States, by a joint resolution approved April 30, 1934 (48 Stat. 657), requested the President to issue a proclamation designating October 12 of each year, the anniversary of the discovery of America, as Columbus Day:

36 USC 146.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Tuesday, October 12, 1954, as Columbus Day, and I invite all the people of our Nation to observe this anniversary with appropriate ceremonies. I also call upon officials of the Government to arrange for the display of the flag of the United States on all public buildings on the twelfth day of October in honor of the memory of Christopher Columbus.

Columbus Day,  
1954.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 1st day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and [SEAL] of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-ninth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:

JOHN FOSTER DULLES,  
*Secretary of State.*